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To Whom It May Concern

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Taisho Announces Cancellation of Treasury Stock

The Board of Directors of Taisho Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd. today announced its decision to cancel treasury stock, pursuant to Article 212 of the Japanese Commercial Code. Details are as follows.

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| 1. Type of stock to be canceled | Taisho Pharmaceutical common stock |
| 2. Number of shares to be canceled | 10.5 million shares
(Representing 3.17% of issued shares
prior to cancellation) |
| 3. Cancellation date | June 7, 2005 |

(For reference)

Following cancellation, Taisho Pharmaceutical will have 320,465,510 issued shares.